

# STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

## Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER <b>Corson/ Sioux County News-Messenger</b>		2. DATE <b>Sept 20, 2004</b>
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE <b>Weekly</b>	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY <b>52</b>	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$ <b>28 Local 33 out of area</b>
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) <b>202 1st Ave West, McLaughlin SD 57642</b>		
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) <b>202 1st Ave West McLaughlin SD. 57642</b>		
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: <b>MERLE E. LOFGREN</b>		
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.)		
FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS	
<b>MERLE E Lofgren</b>	<b>Box 788, McLaughlin S.D. 57642</b>	
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.) <b>None</b>		
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	<b>1475</b>	<b>1450</b>
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION		
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	<b>320</b>	<b>318</b>
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	<b>963</b>	<b>971</b>
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	<b>1283</b>	<b>1289</b>
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION		
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	<b>1308</b>	<b>1314</b>
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED		
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	<b>127</b>	<b>98</b>
2. Return from News Agents	<b>40</b>	<b>38</b>
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)	<b>1475</b>	<b>1450</b>

**Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public**  
**I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:**

**Merle E Lofgren**  
 (Signature)

**Publisher**  
 (Title)

State of South Dakota )  
 County of **Corson** )

Sworn to before me this **21** day of **Sept**, 20**04**  
**Shelia Hawk**  
 Notary Public

(Seal)

My commission expires: **3-30-2009**